

In The Name of God Amen. I Timothy M. Nicholson of the County of Nash and State of North Carolina being low in health but of sound mind and disposing memory do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament.

First I give and recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it and touching such earthly property as has been pleased God to bless me with, I give and bequeath in form and manner following

Imprimis: I lend unto my mother Penelope Nicholson two negroes of her choice during her natural life.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sally Nicholson all my lands viz: all the lands which fell to me by my fathers will also one tract adjoining by the name of the Sandingham place also the land whereon I now live, also the land I bought of Joseph Mares also my right in the land adjoining it, which was lent to me by my fathers will, also the land in Edgecombe County on Fishing Creek which was part of the lands of Absalom Benton Deceased, to her and her heirs forever. Also I give unto my said daughter Sally Nicholson all my negroes (including the two which are lent to my mother after her death) to her and her heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my Sister Sally M. Phillips one hundred Dollars also the right of dower I now own in the lands which formally belonged to Robert Thompson deceased to her and her heirs forever.

Item: My will and desire also is that all the property which I have not given away of all kinds whatsoever be sold at publick sale and after my just debts are paid out of the money rising from such sale together with the money now due me that if there should be remaining in the hands of my executors the sum of five hundred dollars of said money that my sisters Martha, Elizabeth and Nancy Nicholson should have one Hundred Dollars each, to them and their heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sally Nicholson, all the remainder of my estate of all kinds whatsoever which I have not already given away to her and her heirs forever, but if my daughter Sally Nicholson should die before she comes to the age of twenty one years or marries my will and desire is that all my estate which I have given her be equally divided between all my sisters and if she should marry and die without leaving any child my will then is that all the lands which I have given her be equally divided between all my sisters viz Leticia Crowell, Sally M. Phillips, Martha Nicholson, Penelope Whitfield, Polley Ealke, Fereby Shelton, Elizabeth Nicholson, and Nancy Nickolson, to them and their heirs forever.

Item: My will and desire is that if at any time during the life of my mother she should by accident or other wise be reduced to low circumstances that my executors do maintain her generally out of the property arising from the estate I have given away to my daughter before mentioned.

Item: My further will and desire is that my executors shall have the management of my daughter and that they have her well educated and contented

raised, Lastly I nominate and appoint my worthy brother in law Egum Phillips and my cousin Thomas Nicholson my sole and sole executors to this my last will and testament revoking all other wills or wills whatsoever heretofore made. In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix my seal this fifteenth day of March Ad 1000 Eighteen hundred and eight. Signed, sealed and acknowledged in presents of us.

Alex Sorsby.

T.M. Nicholson (Seal)

Major Glanden.

Nash county

May court, 1808

The foregoing will was duly proven in open court by the oath of Major Glanden a subscribing witness thereto and on motion ordered to be recorded.

Attest. Wm Hall, C.C.

and is registered in obedience to the above order,

Attest. Wm Hall, C.C.

In The Name of God Amen This 2nd day of May, Adomini one thousand eight hundred and eight I John Watkins of the County of Nash and State of North Carolina, being weak in body but of sound mind and disposing memory do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament in manner and form following to wit. I lent to my wife Nancy during her natural life or widowhood four hundred acres of land lying on the north side of Kirby's creek including the houses and where I now live. Also one negro man Hard and one negro woman Dinah one half of the still all the cyder casks one half of my part of the Mill also one mare named Fale, one horse named Jack one mare named Diamond and her two colts. also half of my flock of cattle, sheep and hogs also half the brandy now on hand, all my plantation tools, one cart and wheels, also all the household and kitchen furniture, also all the production of my farm for the present year, and at her death or marriage I give the above property except the land and negroes to be equally divided between all my children.

Item: I give and bequeath to my Daughter Charlotte Watkins two negroes Mourning and Toney also one grey Horse to her and her heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter Sally Ricks two negroes Silvy and Simon also one cow and calf one sow and pigs to her and her heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son Isaac Watkins all my land lying on the south side of Kirby's creek including the falls of Tar river together with one half of my part of the mill also half of my still, also one negro man named Jim and one boy named Tom and one horse to him his heirs and assigns forever.

Item: My will and desire is that the Balance of my negroes which are not heretofore given or lost be equally divided between my four youngest children